

THE HAMLIN HERALD

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HAMLIN, JONES COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1944

NUMBER 8

Hamlin Schools Dismiss For Christmas Holidays

The Hamlin Public Schools dismissed Thursday, December 21, for the Christmas holidays. Classes will be resumed on Tuesday, January 2, 1945.

The tax office will be closed Christmas Day and January 1.

G. R. Bennett, Superintendent.

Calvary Baptist Church To Have Revival

Beginning December 24 and continuing through Christmas week, the Calvary Baptist Church will have a Meeting. Eld. B. C. Beard, of McAdoo, will do the preaching. We know of no better way to celebrate the birth of the Babe of Bethlehem than to meet and honor Him in song and sermon. We invite anyone who will to come to these services.

J. W. Cundieff, Pastor.

The First BAPTIST CHURCH

ORDER OF SERVICE

Sunday:

Sunday School 10:00 A. M.

Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.

Training Union 6:30 P. M.

Evening Worship 7:30 P. M.

Wednesday:

Prayer Service 7:30 P. M.

B. J. Martin, Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

E. L. Yeats, Pastor

You will enjoy and find worship in the Christmas Candle Light service to be given at 7:30 Sunday evening. It is a service of beautiful Christmas hymns, Yuletide Scripture messages, and fitting colored pictures.

The Teague Sunday School Class enjoyed a Christmas party at "The House of Memories" near Roby last night. The Youth Fellowship will enjoy a party at the same place tonight.

The Orphans' Home offering last Sunday was very nice, indeed. Those who did not have an opportunity to make an offering may do so next Sunday.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

A Christmas program and Christmas tree will be held at the Dovie Church, Friday night, December 22. The program will include a moving picture of the birth of Christ. The public is invited.

Mrs. Roy Carmichael who has been ill for some time is in an Abilene hospital for treatment.

The Bond Drive Proved Hamlin People Alert

Well, there is one thing which ought to help all of the Hamlin community enjoy their Christmas, all the better, and that is the fact that the big bond campaign went over with a bang, and plenty to spare. That is what every community should be glad to report.

Look at these figures:

Series E Bonds, sold \$101,375.00

Quota was \$ 84,000.00

Over the Top by ... \$ 17,000.00

Grand Total of

All sold \$211,422.00

Quota Over All ... \$193,200.00

Over that Top ... \$ 18,222.00

We notice in some large, rich cities they are far behind with their sales. Wonder how they feel when they hear how badly our boys need our money-backing while they offer their all for us? Maybe some people do not yet realize this nation has a war on its shoulders. Any way the Herald is proud of Hamlin's report. Thanks again to all who helped put it over.

War Bonds—A Safe Investment For You

About the safest and surest thing in this world of uncertainties is a war bond issued by the United States Government. Here is an investment worth as much in a depression as a boom. It is backed by all the wealth of America. If lost or destroyed in any way it can always be replaced.

First of all is this matter of safety. A war bond is as safe as the dollar bill in your pocket. The same security guarantees payment of both. At the end of 10 years you are certain to get 100 good solid American dollars for every 75 invested.

Next is the guaranteed cash redemption values of war bonds. In any emergency, the owner can always convert to cash without loss. You can look on your bonds now and see what they will be worth at any future date. These values will never be influenced by the ups and downs of the financial market. A farmer with money invested in the bonds always has financial insurance against the "hazard year."

Last, but not least, there is no danger of losing your money if it is invested in war bonds. These bonds are registered in the name of the owner or co-owners. If stolen, they are no good to the thief. If stolen, burned or destroyed or lost in any way, the Treasury will issue duplicate bonds free of charge.

No investment is quite so safe as a war bond, yet these bonds pay the highest rate of interest of any government securities now available.

Many of us hold money and savings for use in emergency. Was there ever an emergency more serious than the one our fighting men are trying to resolve at this moment?

The Christmas Spirit-

Somehow this Christmas finds the people of this community, and we feel sure the same is in every part of America, coming to the universal Day of Christ's birth with a mingled feeling of humbleness and gratitude.

The fact that our people recognize the Christ, and place our faith in Him, who alone can bring us peace, should make everyone feel glad to say a "Merry Christmas to You." This certainly does not mean to be giddy and too gay in these hours of gloom at the time of the sacrifices our boys are making on the battle fields. "Merry Christmas" means, "God Bless You and Sustain You," especially in these dark days of uncertainty.

This paper would like to send each and every War Service Boy and Girl an individual, personal "I WISH YOU WELL" and all those other expressions of love and appreciation that well up in our hearts, but since we can't, we want this to be "Ours to You" the world over. To you, let us say, "If we are in the Right, and it is God's will, our efforts to redeem the peoples of this generation from the horrors of WAR will be crowned with honor and success—the Prayers of millions of Christians back home are offered each moment for you." Then may it please Him whose birth we celebrate this December 25, to sustain you and bring you home to your loved ones and peace.

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BRICK BUILDING SOLD TO MRS. L. L. COWAN

Mrs. L. L. Cowan has bought the brick building owned by R. W. Stubblefield, and now occupied by the Express Company, and she plans to move her tailor shop and cleaning plant to this location in the near future.

This is really a "return home" for Mrs. Cowan as this building was built by her and her husband, the late L. L. Cowan, for their tailoring and cleaning business. Shortly after Mr. Cowan's death, Mrs. Cowan sold the building to Mr. Stubblefield and moved her shop across the street to the present location.

Mrs. Cowan plans to install new equipment and to make her plant modern in every way.

Was there ever an emergency not only in the national sense, but in a personal sense, that we should move more aggressively to meet? We at home can help meet this emergency through the purchase of war bonds.

Yes, and what's more, not only are we privileged to enlist our dollars for fighting service, but we have a guarantee backed by the faith and credit of the United States Government for their safe return.

All E Bond sales reported to the Treasury before New Year's count toward that all-important E Bond quota. Let's send the word around the world to our fighting men and to our enemies, also, that once again we have reached and surpassed a war loan goal. Don't let this week go by without buying that extra bond.

MARINE CORPS NEEDS THIRTY RECRUITS

Thirty 17 year old young men are needed as volunteers in the Marine Corps. Youths will be enlisted now and called to duty in March 1945. Such applicants are assured of the branch of service they desire and do not have to register with their Draft Boards.

Interested applicants are requested to call or write U. S. Marine Corps, 217 P. O. Bldg., Lubbock, Texas. Application blanks and literature will be sent at once.

Ration Reminders

MEATS, FATS: Red stamps A8 through Z8 and A5 through S5, good indefinitely. No new stamps until December 31.

PROCESSED FOODS: Blue stamps A8 through Z8; A5 through Z5, A2 and B2 remain valid indefinitely. No new blue stamps will be validated until the first of next month.

SUGAR: Sugar stamps 30, 31, 32, 33, and 34, each good for five pounds indefinitely. Stamp 40, good for five pounds of canned sugar through February 28, 1945.

GASOLINE: A-13 coupons in new ration book good for four gallons through December 21. A-14 coupons good for four gallons beginning December 22.

FUEL OIL: East and far west—1 and 2 coupons good for ten gallons per unit. Mid-west and south, 2 and 3 coupons good for ten gallons per unit.

SHOES: Airplane stamps 1, 2, and 3 in book three, good indefinitely.

Late Maize Brings In Extra Cash

The Harden Grain Company reports that they are getting quite a lot of late maize, well developed and fairly bright, that is bringing the farmers around \$1.30 per hundred pounds. As this year comes to a close it is completing a record of success for the farmers of this section of Texas.

Jones County has already reported 31,566 bales of cotton, far over last year's total, and there is one more report out that will place the number still higher; and yet, there is a lot of cotton still in the fields to be gathered, and "gathered" it will be, for time is short and days are cold.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SERVICE AT SYLVESTER CHURCHES

A late phone call from our correspondent at Sylvester has asked that the following announcement be published:

The Methodist and Baptist Churches of Sylvester are uniting in a Christmas program at 7:30 P. M. Sunday, December 24, at the Baptist Church. Everybody is invited to come and share with us a warm Christmas Spirit.

T. M. Harrell, Pastor of Baptist Church.

Rufus Kitchen, Pastor of Methodist Church.

Miss Marion Martin, of Dallas, is here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Martin.

There are nine million pounds of metal in the dome of the Capitol at Washington.

The first battle between ironclad ships was fought in American waters between American ships—the Merrimack and the Monitor, in 1862.

TEN THOUSAND NURSES MUST BE RECRUITED

Of interest to American families everywhere is the fact that the Army must recruit 10,000 nurses immediately in order to care for wounded and sick soldiers, both at home and overseas. In addition, 1,000 nurses are needed by the Veterans Administration for its services. The Navy will need 500 nurses a month for several more months. In an effort to stimulate the interest of nurses in this indispensable service, Paul V. McNutt, War Manpower Chairman, has sent telegrams to all State Procurement and Assignment Committees requesting that additional names of nurses be made available to the American Red Cross for recruitment purposes. Nurses who enter the service are commissioned and will enjoy all rights extended to the Armed Forces under the G. I. Bill of Rights.

There is one family of "former-Hamlin boys" who is going to keep up with the home town news. We have a recent letter from Sylvian Freedman, of Washington, D. C., with a two years' subscription for the Herald for himself and a two years' subscription for his brother, Gilbert. He reports that both his brother, Eddy and Gilbert, enjoyed a furlough at home a short time ago, and since reporting back to their camps has been sent overseas. We say thanks to these boys and hope you will continue to enjoy the Herald.

Miss Hortense Phenix is at home from Bethany College to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Phenix.

Fred Carpenter who has been ill in an Abilene hospital for two weeks is reported improving.

Mrs. S. C. Ferguson who is in the Stamford Hospital is reported to be much better.



how much WHITE LIGHT



in a pound of BLACK COAL?

THE lamp has a 100-watt bulb in it and the lump of coal weighs one pound.

Pulverized and blown into the big boiler of a modern power-plant, a pound of coal* provides enough steam to generate one kilowatt-hour of electricity.

That much electricity, in turn, will light the lamp for ten hours—long enough to read this newspaper and a couple of novels. Or it will run a small radio for 25 hours, a food mixer for 13 hours, a washer for almost 7.

"So what?" you say. The point is this. 25 years ago, it took about three times as much coal to produce a kilowatt-hour of electricity as it does today!

The all-around efficiency which gets several times as much white light from black coal has benefited YOU in many ways.

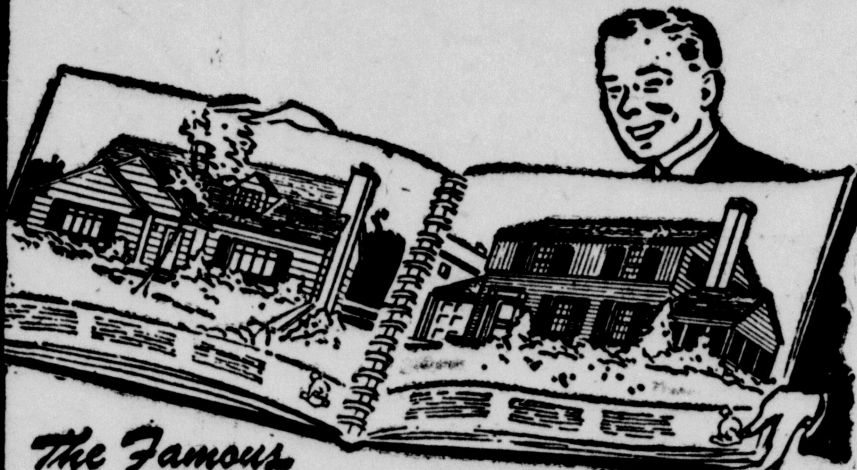
It has made your electric service better and cheaper year by year. It has met tremendous wartime demands for electric power, without delay, shortages or rationing. It has held the price of electricity at an all-time low, while other costs went up.

These results come from the sound business management of the nation's light and power companies—and from the hard work of men and women who know their business—and who are preparing for even greater accomplishments tomorrow.

*Some plants use less than 1 pound; some more, because of differences in coal and equipment. The nation-wide average is 1.3 pounds per kilowatt-hour.

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THE nearness of Yuletide is unmistakable. Whether snow festoons the fir trees or whether earth still awaits its mantle of white, woods and fields, city and town breathe Christmas and its spirit of kindness.

We sincerely hope that the Christmas season of 1944 will be richer for you, fuller, and more satisfying than for many a year, and thank you for twelve months of very pleasant relations.

Ferguson Theatres

Mrs. Ervin Euckert and children were guests Sunday of Mrs. Leo Euckert and daughter in Merkel.

Miss Annie Lee Turner had as her guest for the week end Miss Grace Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. Oran Weaver and son, Oran, Jr., visited Sunday in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Noel Weaver and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gardner.

Schubert Music Club Meets For Program

The Schubert Music Club met Wednesday for the December study program.

Mrs. John D. Ferguson was director of the program on "The Height of Romanticism."

Interesting discussions were given on "The Later Romantics" by Mrs. Tom Vaughan and on "Strauss" by Mrs. Dan Barton.

A lovely piano solo was given by Miss Kraigolyn Bessire.

Following two hours' choral practice, the club adjourned.—Reporter.



EACH CHRISTMAS as it comes and goes proves anew that love is the only binding power of the world. In these dark days of late December when the brightness of smiles make ample amends for lack of brightness overhead, we again send our most hearty Christmas Greetings.

W. J. Brians
Insurance Agency
J. C. Turner

NEINDA NEWS

Mrs. Rod Brown and sons, and Mrs. Buddie Middlebrook spent the week end in Sweetwater visiting Mrs. Pat Mercer.

Boyd Lakey had an appendix operation Thursday of last week in an Abilene hospital. Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Rogers and sons visited him Saturday and report that he is recovering nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Warren and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brown, of Anson, were guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. White.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Smart and children visited near Rotan Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Smart.

Mr. and Mrs. Noble Duncan and Mrs. Jim Hubbard, of Abilene, were guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herchell Hubbard.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Burnett and children were shopping in Stamford Saturday.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Wilemon in the Dovie community, Sunday, were Mrs. R. L. McIntosh and son, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Tollison and children, and Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Rogers and children.

Mrs. T. C. Gregory and daughter and Mrs. Ruby Flenniken visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Carter and Mrs. Earl Gregory and son, Jackie Earl.

Gladys and Tommy Gardner and Gladys and Doris Gregory attended the singing at Boyd Chapel Sunday afternoon.

Visiting in the home of Mrs. H. E. Woods, Sunday, was her daughter, Mrs. T. C. Gregory.



FROM US TO YOU!

† † Dusk...
Christmas Eve...
children moving about stealthily, wide-eyed and expectant... you know the signs.

Christmas is here, let us all be merry, for it comes but once a year.

With gratitude for your kind favors during 1944 we send you heartiest Christmas greetings.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. McMahon

Classified

Residential Lighting fixtures to arrive October 30—Come see the new features at
City Electric & Plumbing Co.

HELP WANTED — AUTOMOBILE MECHANICS, BROOKS MOTOR COMPANY, FORD DEALER, TELEPHONE 100, STAMFORD. (6-5t)

FOR SALE
One Section of land, good fences, plenty of water, good grass, price, \$20,000 per acre.
One Section of land, about 160 in cultivation, plenty of water and grass, two houses, barn, 30 head of cattle, Farm Tractor, Feed grinder, 200 chickens. Paved highway through place. Price for all, \$25.00 per acre.
325 acres, 235 in cultivation, two houses, one is in fine condition and a good home. Two good wells of good water, one-half mile from paved road and near R.E.A. line. Loan \$8500.00 4 per cent interest. Price only \$42.50 per acre.
H. O. CASSLE
Hamlin, Texas

OIL HEATER—in good condition for sale. **O. H. WEAVER,** at Neinda. (7-2p)

NOW IS A GOOD TIME to make a new addition to your home. You are allowed to spend up to \$200.00 for new additions, and right after the first of the year, you can spend \$200.00 more.

No limit on repairs.
See our new stock of stream-lined Oak Flooring, already sanded, filled, and varnished. It is finished when applied; it is clear of knots.
Re-roof your home with Heavy Composition Shingles. It makes your insurance cost less.
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Nice young cow and calf.
H. O. CASSLE

FARM TRACTOR FOR SALE
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H. O. CASSLE
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PAUL BRYAN LUMBER CO.

WANT PASTURE—for 7 head of milch stock. (p)
B. B. COLWELL.

BUY CHRISTMAS GIFTS AT LUMBER YARD
We have a good assortment of mirrors and medicine cabinets that will make wonderful Christmas gifts.
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GIRL'S PRE-WAR BICYCLE for sale. Good condition. (p)
BILL STAHL, near Wise Chapel.

FOR SALE—Good, pre-war baby push cart. (p)
MRS. T. W. FLENNIKEN, Rt. 3, Hamlin, Texas.

PIANO FOR SALE—Have a nice piano for sale, cheap. Call 169-J or see **MRS. TRAVIS CONNER,** At the Morgan Hotel. (p)

WANTED—Capable woman to stay with children, by the hour, day or night. Phone 247-J.
MRS. HENRY ALBRITTON. (p)

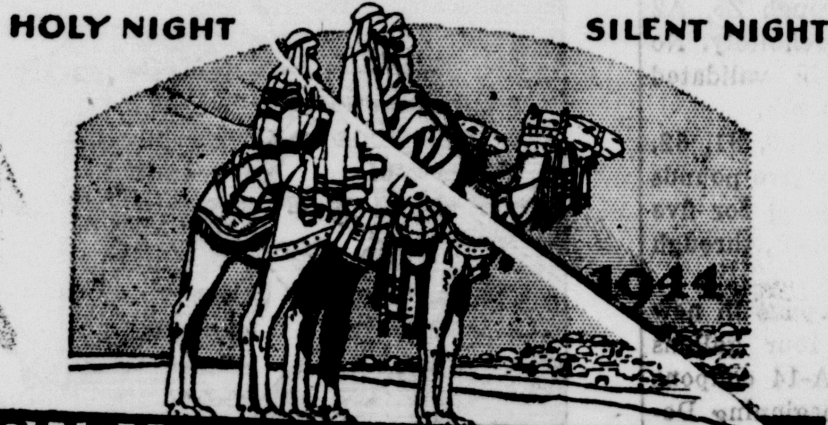
FOR SALE—125 Large White Leghorn Hens. Second laying season. Blood tested and culled. (p)
LAWRENCE D. RIMMER.

FOR SALE—A Milch Cow. E. A. PRESTON, Plasterco. (p)

MEXICAN WHITE PINE LUMBER
We have just unloaded a new car Mexican White Pine Lumber. This lumber will make nice cabinets, etc.
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FOR SALE—"Mauna Loa" ukulele, and a small banjo. A bargain. Inquire at the HERALD OFFICE.

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★ The message of good will that emanated from Bethlehem 2,000 years ago not only transforms the world at Christmas but is the foundation of every honest transaction. We depend upon your good will; you depend upon ours.

Your good will has been a priceless asset to us during 1944 and other years. We thank you for the confidence you have placed in us and wish you the manifold blessings of a happy Yuletide.

Farmers & Merchants Nat'l. Bank

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MEMBER OF F.D.I.C.



"...and on earth peace,
good will towards men."

And to each of you who read this message that enraptured happiness which comes only at CHRISTMASTIME

Joe Simpson's Grocery



★ At Christmas perhaps more than at any other time in the year we realize what it means to be an American—to worship as we please, to go about our daily pursuits unfettered, to take time out to pay homage to the beautiful myth of Santa Claus. ★ And at Christmas the members of this organization realize particularly what your patronage has meant to us, and we take this opportunity to thank you while wishing you all a most Merry Christmas.



Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Terrell

Major and Mrs. J. B. Terrell, Jr.

Cpl. Sherman V. Lauderdale, who served for many months in ETO and recently returned to the States, writes that he wants to keep the Herald coming to him out in California. He says he likes it very well out there, but "I won't compare Texas with California." Hope you keep enjoying the home news.

S&S

This week we received a letter from an old friend and neighbor boy, L. E. (Gene) Morgan, CBM, who is in the Pacific Area. He asks to tell "all my old friends hello for me and tell them a very Merry Christmas." Gene asked us not to publish his letter, but we just have to mention that as he was writing, he was also beginning his ELEVENTH year in the Navy. Our sincere best wishes to you and let us hear from you again.

We have a letter from Richard Branscum, RM 3/c, from out in the Pacific, saying that he is now on a ship. He had recently been stationed in the Hawaiian Islands and said: "It was pretty nice there but reminded me too much of the dust storms that used to occur in Texas." Guess these boys will be able to teach us all a lot about geography when they get back to Hamlin.

S&S

From our friend, S/Sgt. Jno. V. Howard, comes a beautiful card from France picturing an American GI holding an American flag and a French flag, and standing between the Statue of Liberty and a statue of Joan of Arc. Thank you, John, and here's hoping it won't be long before you will be seeing that Statue in its American setting.

About Soldiers--Sailors

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Townley received a message Sunday from their son, M. T. Sgt. W. Ben Townley that he had landed on the West Coast. Sgt. Townley has seen extensive service with the Marines in the Pacific Area during the past two years. His message was welcome news to his family and friends who are expecting him here for the Christmas holidays.

S&S

Mrs. Earl C. Misner, of Abilene, is spending this week in Hamlin with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Hudson. Her husband, Lt. Misner of Camp Barkeley, will join her here for Christmas.

S&S

Mrs. C. F. Butcher has received a letter from her husband, M. T. Sgt. C. F. Butcher, who has been with the Marines in the Pacific Area for the past 16 months, saying he was to return to the States soon. Mrs. Butcher is expecting him to arrive by Christmas. It has been two years since Sgt. Butcher was here to visit his wife and daughter.

S&S

Pl. Sgt. Robert A. Pittman, U. S. M. C., came Sunday night to visit his sister, Mrs. Fred C. Smith, and husband. Sgt. Pittman has just returned from 28 months' service in the South West Pacific. He left Thursday for Parriss Island, S. C.

S&S

Mrs. Walter Ford, of Altus, Okla., is here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sauls. While here she renewed the Herald for her son, Pvt. Joe S. Fudge, who is in the Netherlands East Indies.

S&S

Pvt. John E. Walton, Jr., of Fort Knox, Ky., arrived this week to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Walton, and other relatives. He was joined here by his wife who came from her home in California for a Christmas visit.

S&S

Leaford Stone left Wednesday, December 13, for Fort Sam Houston to begin his training. His wife and baby will make their home in Hamlin.

S&S

From India comes a greeting from Lt. Frances R. Bailey. The Herald hopes Santa finds you even if he does have to come to India in a wooden-wheeled wagon, drawn by two "sacred cows" of that country. And may you have a merry Christmas.

Edgar E. Lewis, GM 3/c, returned to Seattle, Wash., Thursday, after spending a 20-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Lewis in McCaulley. He recently came from the Pacific area where he had spent 16 months.

S&S

Sgt. George S. Clay, of Boise, Idaho, Gowen Field, was here Sunday to visit his aunt, Mrs. J. B. Bowman, and family.

S&S

Corporal Ansel Z. Massey and wife and baby boy came down from Dalhart Army Air Field to spend Christmas with his brothers, W. C. and S. U. Massey, of Hamlin and with his mother, Mrs. Z. Massey in Fort Worth. He will report at his camp on December 29.

S&S

S/Sgt. Jack Miller writes from somewhere in Europe to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Miller, that he is OK. He said he could not say he was lucky enough to be with those who went in to Holland—or maybe "I was lucky not to be with them." He is not in the 82nd Division, but is a Paratrooper foot soldier. He hopes to try to spend some of his money in London on New Year's Day.

S&S

The Herald has a very unusual Christmas greeting from Sgt. J. M. Donaghey, Jr., from somewhere in the ETO. It shows an American tank encircled with a Christmas wreath, and opposite is a map of Europe over-printed with the wording: "We have kept faith through: France, Belgium, Holland, Germany. We will keep the faith 'til peace on earth and ever after." And beside the countries named are listed the battles through which the unit has gone. It is such faith as this that makes what we, on the home front, are doing seem even more little and insignificant. Good luck to you, Sgt., and may the next Christmas see you safe in "good old Hamlin."

S&S

Miss Mildred Barrow returned to Temple Sunday after a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Y. Barrow, and her brother, R. Y. Barrow, Jr., S 1/c, who is spending a leave here from Sanford, Fla.

S&S

Thanks to Max B. Carlton, AMM 1/c, somewhere in the Pacific for a very attractive greeting. And to Jesse W. Locke, RM 3/c, for a card which shows a picture of one of the Navy's powerful ships. Thanks, fellows, for remembering us, and we certainly have to hand it to the ingenuity of the Navy for being able to get such appropriate cards even in the middle of a great ocean.

S&S

REPORTED KILLED IN PACIFIC

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. McGough have received a message that the young man, Lieutenant D. D. Kemper, who was the escort with the body of their son, Lt. Billy McGough, from South Carolina, Sept. 1943, was killed somewhere in the Pacific on December 6th. Not long before, he had written Mr. and Mrs. McGough and sent a picture. His home was in Dallas.

S&S

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Terrell were recently notified of their son's promotion from captain to major, so it is now Major Jennings B. Terrell, of the Air Corps. Congratulations!

S&S

Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burns for a subscription to the Herald. They report that their sons are both in the Navy, Farrow serving in the Pacific and Bobby in the Atlantic. Mrs. Burns says: "I'm sure that there are a lot of Hamlin boys in San Diego at one time or another, and we would like for them to come to see us at any time. We know how good it is to see someone from home." The address is 6517 Kelly Street, San Diego 10, Calif.

Be Quick To Treat Bronchitis

Chronic bronchitis may develop if your cough, chest cold, or acute bronchitis is not treated and you cannot afford to take a chance with any medicine less potent than Creomulsion which goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ laden phlegm and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender, inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Creomulsion blends beechwood creosote by special process with other time tested medicines for coughs. It contains no narcotics. No matter how many medicines you have tried, tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creomulsion with the understanding you must like the way it quickly allays the cough, permitting rest and sleep, or you are to have your money back. (Adv.)



IN THESE LAST SHORT DAYS OF 1944

when beaming faces tell that Christmas is very, very near, we are reminded again of the supreme value of friendship. He who has no friends, though he may have amassed a fortune, cannot be happy.

We have many friends in this area—friends from many years back as well as friends who have become friends during this past year. These friendships are a great source of pride and happiness to us.

To all these friends we wish a very Merry Christmas Season.

Barrow

FURNITURE COMPANY

From Tampa, Fla. comes a greeting from Pvt. and Mrs. John H. Van Duren and Jimmy. And also there is one from Mount Holly, S. C., from Bert, Margaret and Nancy Locke. Merry Christmas to you all!

S&S

Just received a greeting in a very impressive Naval design from our sailor friend, Coy L. Magee. Thanks.

S&S

T/Sgt. H. J. Elkins sends a friendly greeting from Myrtle Beach, S. C. Merry Christmas, Harvey, and may we say we are glad to know you are back in the States after so many months in India.

S&S

Here's a very pretty card from Sgt. John T. Durham in the Phoenix Islands, out in the Pacific. Thanks, Johnny, and keep up the good work in the communications service.

S&S

T/Sgt. and Mrs. Charles Prater send a telegram from California that they will arrive Friday for Charles' first Christmas at home in four years.

George Washington was known as the Father of our Country; Samuel Adams as the Father of American Independence; and James Madison as the Father of our Constitution.

One sacrifices but little in exhibiting good manners, and gains much.

Do It Yourself—at Home
Charm-Kurl
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★ Whether Christmas be white or green, we hope it will be full of charm for you and yours, with an abundance of all the good things that are part of happy Yuletide . . .

Paul Bryan



THE SEASON'S GREETINGS

19 44

★ There will be a halo over the homes of America this Christmas radiating from the new hope for the world.

That your Christmas season may be both joyous and happy is the sincere wish of

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I GIVE YOU TEXAS

(By BOYCE HOUSE)

I expect the Ranger Times was the first paper in West Texas to charter an airplane in order to "cover" a football game. The Bulldogs were playing the Steers at Big Spring; so Publisher Walter Murray, because of the publicity value of the stunt, hired a plane; and your columnist (who was then the editor—managing editor—City editor—sports editor) climbed aboard.

All went well until we sighted Big Spring and then Pilot Travis Boggs made a sharp right hand turn without taking me into his confidence and the plane tilted at such an angle and with me not strapped in that I found myself looking into the upturned faces of a telephone line crew on the highway below. I really "pulled leather" and barely escaped joining them.

When we landed, Editor Stanley Norman who was on hand to greet us remarked: "That looked like a sharp turn to us on the ground." My reply was that I was like the Negro who went for a "hop" over an airport and the pilot cut all kinds of fancy turns and then, after one particularly sweeping loop, straightened out and yelled, "I'll bet 50 per cent of those people down there thought we were falling then." His dusky passenger answered, "Yas suh,

and 50 per cent of them up heah thought the same thing."

On the return flight, before we reached Ranger, darkness had fallen and the landing field was not equipped with lights. The pilot had arranged, however, for a pool of gasoline to be in readiness, with the airport mechanic to set a match to it when he heard the motor approaching. The blaze looked mighty comforting to me.

We made a perfect landing. Next day, the flier confessed: "That blaze was so bright it blinded me and I had to land by guess."

Anyhow, the Times had made newspaper history by chartering a plane to cover a high school game. How's that? Oh, Ranger won.

—bh—

Oliver Wendell Holmes said, "If a man wants to be a success in life, he should choose his grandparents with great care."

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BARGAIN DAY rates for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram this year are \$8.95 (7 days per week) and \$7.75 (six days). Bring a label from your Star-Telegram as evidence that you are an old subscriber. When you club your paper with the Herald, you save 75c (7 days) and 50c (6 days). Hardly possible that any New subscribers will be accepted by Star-Telegram till the paper situation gets better. Notice the date on your paper and don't let it expire. Let the Herald send in your name.

Minnesota was admitted to the Union on May 11, 1858.

Dr. and Mrs. Don Gould and children will leave Saturday for Walters, Okla., to spend Christmas with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Baker.

Visiting the past week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Brown were their daughters, Mrs. H. L. Neal and husband, and Miss Virginia Brown of Clovis, New Mexico.

Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, delivered on November 19, 1863, was his greatest and shortest speech. It required but two minutes to deliver.

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EVER THAT SAME STAR

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Our Christmas greeting to every man, woman and child in this community . . . a greeting as warm and hearty—we hope—as if it were made to each in person with a friendly smile and a shake of the hand.

Merry Christmas!

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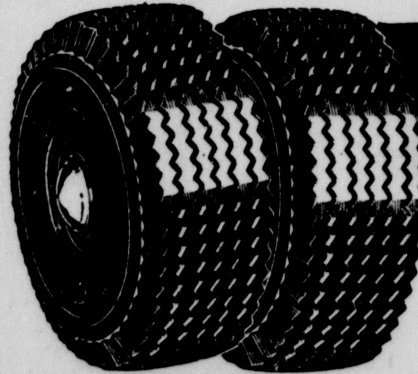
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Happy Day



Even Santa Claus is smiling at the general hilarity occasioned by his visit to a naval training station. The recruits in front of the barracks may be many miles from home, but they're still celebrating Christmas with as much enthusiasm as ever.

Christmas is a homey time. Family dinner parties and reunions are a traditional part of the holiday season in America, and this year more than ever we will be celebrating Christmas at home.

You can add a festive note to these family get-togethers by turning them into Christmas parties. Don't plan anything elaborate—just think up some simple invitations and a game or two. Your regular Christmas decorations will provide the setting.

For the invitations cut out paper snow balls, Santa Claus or Christmas trees and write or print the invitation in ink of a contrasting color. Or buy small candy canes and attach a red paper tag with the invitation in white ink. If you're ambitious you might try writing a verse for these invitations.

From ordinary paper bags you can make party hats and head bands for the guests. Turn the top edge of the bag back in a roll until the "hat" is the right height. Paint or paste a Christmas design on these hats and they will be ready and waiting for the party. For the headbands cut strips of paper bag 2½ inches wide and decorate with gold stars, paper Christmas trees, holly, poinsettias, or cotton snowmen.

Miss Frances Jenkins returned Friday from Denton to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Jenkins.

Miss Janie Mae Johnson is at home from Sioux Falls, South Dakota, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Johnson.

You can call her a lady if she always remembers others and never forgets herself.

You'll be reminded of the good deeds you've done, by doing new ones.



Christmas Cheer to All!

★ Holly and mistletoe, soft lights and Christmas trees, gifts that mean an outpouring of the spirit. Santa Claus is coming!

With gratitude for your continued friendship we pause during this busy Christmas season of 1944 to wish you the happiest Christmas of them all.

Farmers OIL & SUPPLY

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Phone 56



At this season we should all subject ourselves to re-examination, to see if good fellowship and kindness still survive as a practical combination to bring happiness to the human heart. Each of us holds in his hands the key to this combination. Let us use it during this Christmas season of 1944, to help transform dreams into realities.

May we add our glad Christmas greetings to the many which are finding their way to you?

Waggoner Drug Co.

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ADA JANE HOWARD
MART O. FARROW

MARJORIE RIDDLE
BRAD ROWLAND, JR.

Some folks have a notion that the war is about over; that is, they seem to be in such a mood when it comes to buying War Bonds. Uncle Sam knows who has the money in the Bank, and when a citizen who has the dough is approached and he tells you he hasn't, well, it appears to us that he isn't too interested. This government does not want people to buy Bonds when they are not able. Some folks who buy a \$25.00 bond now and then are doing more according to their capital than some who could buy hundreds and possibly thousands of dollars worth and still have plenty left. The better "fixed" a citizen is in cattle, land, dollars and cents, the more interest-

ed he should be in winning the war. It is "folly" to think that this war is about to end. Talk to the boys who are coming from the front.

—A-DARDEN-O-GRAM.

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PLENTY OF MIXED CANDY.
BEN WILCOX GROCERY (p)

SPOTTED, Muley Jersey Cow played from my pasture near Hamlin. If you know where she is, please notify S. C. FERGUSON. (p)

HAVE 400 ACRES of land to lease. J. V. HOWARD (8-2)

ABILENE REPORTER-NEWS, year Annual Holiday Rate is \$5 full year, 7 days per week... the Hamlin Herald send in your subscription and you save 50 cents the two papers. Don't wait if you want a daily this season.

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Neal-Childers Rites Read In Abilene

Miss Lois Neal, daughter of Mrs. J. W. Neal of Clyde, and Mr. Edgar Childers, son of Mrs. J. A. Childers of Hamlin, were married in Abilene, Saturday, Dec. 16, in the Church of Christ, with the pastor of the church reading the ceremony.

Mr. Childers, who owns and operates a Machine Shop, has made his home in Hamlin for a number of years.

Miss Joan Culbertson came Saturday from T.S.C.W., Denton, to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Culbertson.

The State of Virginia is called "The Old Dominion."

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LATEST NEWS REEL
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Merry Christmas
Happy New Year



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To you, our friends, who have so helped us to make 1944 successful, we send the friendliest of CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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grocer when he is temporarily out of Imperial Sugar... or when he offers Imperial in paper packages only. It contains the same fine, pure cane Imperial Sugar you have always known... May the holiday season be a happy one for you and yours, is the wish of IMPERIAL SUGAR COMPANY of Sugar Land, Texas.

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WE THANK YOU

All during 1944 we have been storing up our gratitude to the people of this community, as they have come in day after day. Now that Christmas is here it is time to make delivery. So here it comes... our gratitude to you in one great big wish for a big, happy, merry Christmas.

L. V. Miller
Wholesale & Retail Oil Products

POT-SHOTS FROM McCAULLEY

BY GEO DARDEN

Thanks to Mrs. J. W. Rush for a subscription to the Herald for another year. How about your subscription, neighbor?

Attention!!!

The McCaulley Baptists are now ready to begin work on their new garage. Unpaid pledges are therefore needed now. Thanks.

Mrs. Lee Hendon tells us that she has had a recent letter from her son, Ernest, who is in the Navy, and he informed her that he and his brother, Terrell, were in the invasion of the Philippines. Four of Mrs. Hendon's sons are in the armed forces: three in the Navy and one in the Army; also a son-in-law is in the Army.

L. V. (Pete) Perryman, S 1/c, writes his parents that he was in the invasion of the Philippines and Palau. He has also been in New Guinea, Guadalcanal, the Solomons Islands, and many others. Pete says he has had enough excitement to last for a while and he would be glad to see

the States once again. Good luck to all you fellows, and a merry Christmas.

We even hear people "holler" their heads off about the shortage of cigarettes. Now "ain't that just too bad?" The boys in the fox holes would like to be back home, even if they had to smoke cedar bark or steal out some of Ma's coffee.

Rotan hospital patients this week from this community are: Mrs. G. W. Martin and Mrs. John Wishert.

Thanks To Friends

Words can never express our sincere appreciation to our many friends for their expressions of sympathy in the loss of our son and brother, Lt. Joe W. (Buddy) Boyd. Signed: Mr. and Mrs. Louis H. Boyd, Velma Lou and Holman.

Home on leave from training camp last week was Pvt. Buford Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jackson. Buford was accompanied by a buddy whose home is in Illinois. Sorry we

failed to get the name of the friend. Mrs. Sally Parker, of Spur, visited her parents, Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Dick, last week end. Mrs. Parker had friends with her, and as usual we didn't get the name.

The air is filled with Christmas spirit; folks are running over each other and doing their darndest to buy something for that boy or girl and Mom and Pop.

We like to radio, but we're getting rather fed up on "The Trolley Song" but luckily all radios have a little knob to turn the dial in case we become bored.

We acknowledge nice Christmas cards from B. B. (Doc) Perryman on the U.S.S. Chicago and Bynum Akins on a P. C. Boat. Fifteen rahs for the Navy.

Merry Christmas to all our friends who read our column, and especially do we send greetings to the boys and girls in the armed forces. It keeps a small town reporter all pepped up to get your nice letters from all over the world. We appreciate the nice letters received from men in service whom we never knew personally.

Yes, the Herald goes to all parts of the world and men who never had heard of McCaulley or Hamlin until some home town boy handed them the Herald hear of Texas. What makes us so grateful to these men is that they never criticize our column, and many of them write that our O'Grams are right down their alley. After all is said and done, we are all Americans, fighting for a better America with one thought in mind: "Peace on earth, and good will toward men."

A-DARDEN-O-GRAM.

Technical Future For Boys Seen In Industry

Parents of boys will be interested in the report just published by the United States Office of Education which takes the view that new developments in electronics, air transportation and automobile design, as well as creation of improved materials for textile, food and construction uses, will demand a large increase in trained technical personnel. The report states that about five trained technicians are needed in modern industry for every professional engineer. These technicians fall into four main categories: Engineering and science aides requiring a year or two of pre-employment training; narrowly trained specialists such as inspectors; production and maintenance supervisors, and semi-technical salesmen, accountants and like workers.

Although written in 1776, the original copy of our Declaration of Independence is still in good, readable condition.

SYLVESTER NEWS ITEMS

By Merrena Vaughan

Bond Drive Tops Quota

Sylvester held their Bond Rally on December 14. With the assistance of boys from Camp Barkeley, we completed and went over our quota of \$12,200.00. Thanks to everybody who helped.

Mrs. Nannie Mitchell is out of the hospital and is home for a few days. She is doing nicely.

Mrs. Guy Mauldin is doing nicely since her operation in Roscoe last week.

Pfe. Clarence Parsons, of Sebring, Fla., is spending his furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Parsons.

Mrs. John Henely and son, of Abilene, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lawlis.

S/Sgt. and Mrs. Loyd Campbell, of San Antonio, visited Mrs. Campbell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McHaney, last week.

Sgt. John Martin Ferguson visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ferguson, over the week end. Sgt. Ferguson is stationed at Stout Field, Indiana.

Cpl. Dave Kelly arrived home this week from Fort Sam Houston, where he has been in the hospital for several weeks. Dave is able to be around even though he wears a heavy brace. He has a medical discharge and feels badly about it, but we realize that he isn't out on his own accord. We just want to say we are definitely proud of his efforts, having served in the Army over two years.

Mrs. Kathryn Polk spent the week end visiting relatives in Colorado City.

Annual Invitation Basketball Tournament

Anson defeated Sylvester 31 to 7 here last Saturday night in the finals of the Annual Invitation Basketball tournament.

Ira girls won over Noodle girls 8 to 5, in the Women's Division.

Rotan boys won consolation over Ira, 15 to 14, while Hawley girls won over Dowell 34 to 20.

Trophies were given for first, second, and Consolation places. The five gold basketballs for the five boys chosen, will go to, Middlebrook of

HARK, HE ANGEL VOICES!

May the sweet old Christmas story bring to you this year a deeper meaning... a larger store of its joy and peace and gladness than it ever has before.

The Book Shop

Mrs. E. M. Wilson



Anson, Newman of Anson, Dickerson of Sylvester, Clacker of Roscoe, and Key of Ira.

Basketballs will go to five girls: Ward of Sylvester, McBride of Noodle, Ashley of Ira, Dozier of Ira, Childress of Ira, and Chaney of Noodle.

A gentleman is never violent in asserting his rights.

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Hearty and cheery
And happy and true,
An ever so fervent
Merry Christmas to
you! . . .

J. B. BOWMAN'S
Shoe Shop



THE STAR IN THE EAST

Down through the ages has come the story of the shepherds tending their flocks at night, awed by the Star in the East.

During this sacred season, mellowed by the thought of those who cannot be with us, we have abundant reason for gratitude. We have come a long way since the dark Christmas of 1941. The Star in the East shines brighter now.

That this may, indeed, be a Merry Christmas for you and yours is our ardent wish.

Malouf's Dept. Store

HAMLIN, TEXAS

PHONE 70



Noel! Noel!

While ageless Christmas carols fill the air this thought comes to mind. We would like to share with you our Yuletide happiness, and to feel that in this year of grace, 1944, Christmas will mean more to you than it has meant for many years past.

Carter's

Variety Store
Telephone 62



LOADS OF HAPPINESS TO YOU!

Christmas of 1944 is going to be a BIG Christmas. See if we aren't right.

May YOUR Christmas be bounteous and full of good cheer, and may our greeting and best wishes add just a little to your pleasure this Yuletide.

The Hamlin Herald

To Our Patrons and Friends—

GREETINGS

MAY the blessings of
God be with you,
our friends, and with all
of us ... in our souls and
upon our hearths. We can
offer no more gracious
greeting this Yuletide.



A
Merry
Christmas

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Young
(Jess Young Cleaners)

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Turner Visiting Parents

Coxswain G. W. Turner, Jr., and Mrs. Turner arrived Tuesday from Boston, Mass., to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grogan Turner.

They were married Sunday afternoon, at 1:30 o'clock at Our Lady of the Assumption Rectory in Boston, Mass. The double ring service was read by Father Sweeney. Only immediate members of the bride's family were present.

The bride wore a wedding gown of white satin with a finger tip veil of white illusion, and carried a bouquet of white gardenias. Her sister, Miss Gloria Varone, was her attendant.

Patrick Sullivan, a ship mate of the groom, was best man.

Mrs. Turner, before her marriage, was Miss Yola Varone, daughter of Mr. Sam Varone, of Boston, Mass.

Mr. Turner is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Grogan Turner of Hamlin. Soon after graduating from Hamlin High School, he enlisted in the Navy, and for the past two years has served in various parts of the European Theater of Operations. He will report to New York January 12.

Christmas Party

A Christmas party for the Ruth Class of the First Baptist Church was given Tuesday night, December 12, at the home of Mrs. E. J. Whaley, with Mrs. Ben Wilcox and Mrs. Paul Baucum as associate hostesses.

The entertaining room was decorated with holly leaves, candles, and a lighted tree.

Mrs. A. Spencer, teacher of the class, brought the devotional after which Mrs. B. J. Martin led in prayer. The regular monthly busi-

ness meeting was conducted by Mrs. Herman Treadwell, president. Following the business meeting, Mrs. Whaley conducted Christmas games. Gifts were brought and wrapped to send to Buckner Orphans' Home.

A refreshment plate carrying out the Christmas motif was served with small bags of Christmas candy as favors.

Others present were Mmes. Gene Witt, Edward Gardner, LaFoy Patterson, Paul Gentry, Onis Crawford, and Leon Thurman.

Former Hamlin Girl Marries In Lamesa

Miss Juanita Flenniken, daughter of T. E. Flenniken, of Knox City, became the bride of Glen E. Bratcher, Saturday evening, November 18, at 7 o'clock at the First Baptist Church in Lamesa, with the Rev. E. F. Call reading the double ring ceremony.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a honey gold wool suit with brown accessories and purple orchid corsage.

Miss Betty Bratcher, of Ozona, sister of the groom, was maid of honor, and Miss Lanette Dahnke, niece of the bride, and Tommye Glenn Flenniken, of Hamlin, nephew of the bride, were ring bearers. B. B. Bratcher, Jr., brother of the groom, was best man.

Mrs. Bratcher attended Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, and North Texas State Teachers College, Denton. For the past five years, she has been employed with the Lamesa National Bank.

Mr. Bratcher is a graduate of Lamesa High School and was employed by the Socony Vacuum Co. before going into service. He served two years with the Air Corps, and while overseas was stationed in England



★ Christmas is here. And once more we find ourselves at a loss for words to express how we feel about your loyalty to us during 1944. But we know you will understand.

We wish for you and your family the best of Merry Christmases, and the best that this happy season can bring in both material and spiritual blessings.

Morgan Insurance
AGENCY

Tell The HERALD your news.

Miss Idelle LaBelle and R. Y. Barrow, Jr. Recite Wedding Vows

Miss Idelle LaBelle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. LaBelle, of Chicago, Ill., and R. Y. Barrow, Jr., S 1/c, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Y. Barrow of Hamlin, were married Monday afternoon, December 18, at 5:00 o'clock at the home of the groom's parents. The double ring ceremony was read by the Rev. E. L. Yeats, pastor of the Hamlin Methodist Church, as the couple stood beneath white wedding bells suspended from the French door-way between the living room and dining room. Vases of white and pink carnations formed the other decorations.

The bride wore a turquoise blue wool gabardine suit with pink blouse and hat. Her other accessories were black, and her corsage was white carnations.

Mrs. Barrow is a graduate of Lake View High School, Chicago, Ill., and is employed at Inland Steel Corporation in Chicago.

Mr. Barrow is a graduate of Hamlin High School and attended Rice University, Houston, before he enlisted in the Navy.

Immediately following the ceremony, the couple left for a short wedding trip, and returned Wednesday to visit his parents. He will report back to his base at Sanford, Fla., and Mrs. Barrow will return to her home in Chicago.

Benjamin Franklin was our first ambassador to France.

1944



There's a joy in the heart
That sets Christmas apart,
To make it a day of all days.
And may its true peace
And good will never cease
To bless you in manifold ways.

Vogue

Beauty Salon
Mrs. Ray Willingham



WHAT stauncher tree than the oak, and what stauncher friends than ours? Each year at Christmastime we realize more keenly than ever that our success in this community is deeply rooted in the firm soil of friendship. We cannot tell you in so many words how much these friendly associations mean to us, and how we cherish them. But we know you will understand.

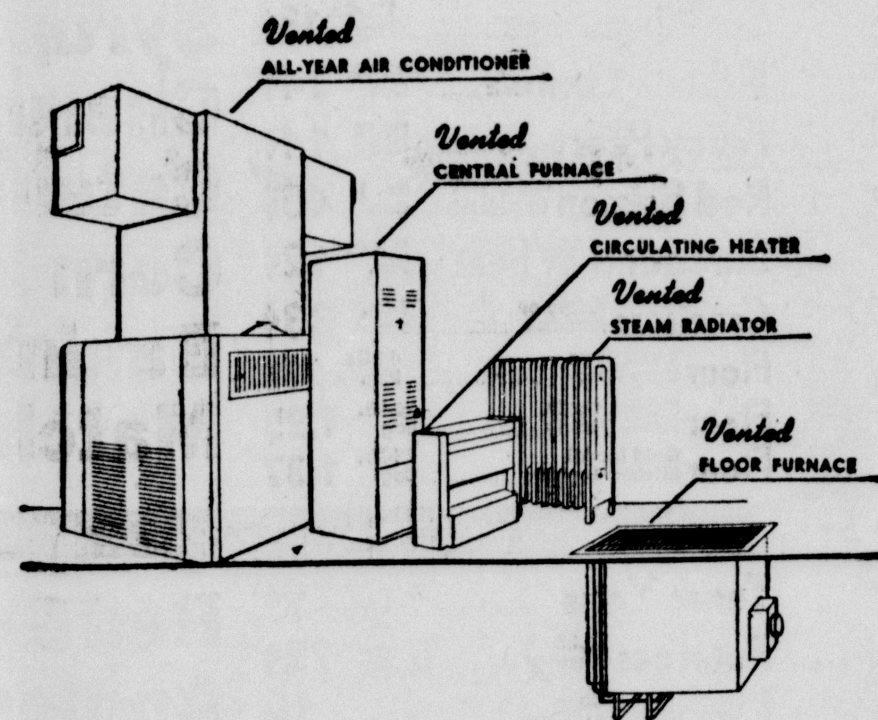
In this spirit of appreciation we send our sincere good Christmas wishes to you and to all those dear to you.

City Electric & Plumbing

New Era Heating

requires a

VENT



Modernizing or building a new postwar home? Above is a picture of things to come in heating equipment; equipment designed for healthful, pleasant, comfortable living. Each is vented, vented to a flue to avoid wall sweating and eliminate stuffy air. So in your plans be sure to include sufficient flues because, regardless of the type you select, they are necessary for modern gas heating.

KEEP ON BUYING WAR BONDS!

LONE STAR GAS COMPANY

Irrigation was started in America by the Mormons, on the edge of the Great Salt Lake.

J. B. BOWMAN'S Electric Shoe Shop

TAKES



SPECIAL

Care In Every Job of REPAIRING

An Easy Shoe Is Important

More Soldier News

Cpl. Henry F. Plemons who has been with the Marines in the Pacific for 17 months, will receive the Herald as a Christmas gift from his sister. Cpl. Plemons has two brothers in service, Kenneth D. Plemons, S. 1/c, in the Marshall Islands, and Pvt. James Plemons in Camp Roberts, Calif.

S&S

W. R. Dillard, T.M. 2/c, arrived Tuesday to spend a 30-day leave with his father, Ross Dillard, and other relatives. He has been in the Pacific area for the past 17 months.

Pvt. William J. Patterson left Sunday for Fort Ord, Calif., after an 11-day visit here with his wife and little daughter, and his mother and family.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gilbreath, of Baird, were guests Saturday and Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Tegart.

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Mrs. Onis Crawford went to San Antonio Monday to meet her husband, T/4 Onis Crawford, who has returned from two years service in the Pacific. They are expected to arrive home the latter part of the week, and will stop in Stamford for

a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Crawford.

Visiting in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Don Gould the past week were her parents, Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Baker, of Walters, Okla., her sisters, Mrs. Roy Roberts of Colera, Ala., and Mrs. Joe Bertram and daughter of Savannah, Ga.

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Denman Morgan, of Lubbock, was here Friday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Morgan, and to accompany them to his home in Lubbock where they will spend Christmas.

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| Coffee Airway Fresh Roasted | 2 1-Lb. Pkgs. | 4 1¢ |
| Coffee Nob Hill Luxury Blend | 1-Lb. Pkg. | 23¢ |
| Mayonnaise Nu Made | 32-Oz. Jar | 47¢ |
| Pure Honey Beeville | 16-Oz. Jar | 25¢ |
| Olives Queen Isabella Stuffed Olives | 8 1/2-Oz. Jar | 67¢ |
| Pimientos Spanish Trail | 7-Oz. Can | 18¢ |
| Pumpkin Alice | No. 2 1/2 Can | 15¢ |
| Peaches Extra Choice Cello Pack | 1-Lb. Pkg. | 37¢ |
| Shortening Swift Jewel | 4-Lb. Ctn. | 75¢ |
| Schillings Sage | 1 1/2-Oz. Pkg. | 13¢ |
| Niblets Corn Del Maiz | 12-Oz. Can | 14¢ |
| Fancy Peas Rogers' | No. 2 Can | 14¢ |
| Red Salmon Libby's (6 Points) | No. 1 Can | 40¢ |
| Shredded Wheat N.B.C. | Pkg. | 12¢ |
| Crackers Krispy or Premium | 2-Lb. Box | 33¢ |
| Flour Swansdown Cake Flour | 44-Oz. Pkg. | 28¢ |
| Flour Kitchen Craft Finest Quality | 25-Lb. Bag | 1.25 |
| Flour Gold Medal Kitchen Tested | 25-Lb. Bag | 1.37 |

Walnuts Baby Emerald Lb. **39¢**

Pecans Shelled Cello Pack 8-Oz. Pkg. **53¢**

Pecans Shelled Cello Pack 16-Oz. Pkg. **89¢**

Peanuts Tennessee Fresh Roasted 2 1-Lb. Pkgs. **49¢**

Mince Meat Lady Betty 30-Oz. Jar **42¢**

Beverly Peanut Butter Fancy Quality 7-Oz. Jar **35¢**

Syrup Sleepy Hollow Rich in the Real Maple 16-Oz. Bot. **21¢**

Cherub Milk (1 Point Per Can) 3 Tall Cans **25¢**

Catsup Red Hill Tomato (50 Points) 14-Oz. Bot. **15¢**

Corn Meal Morrison Premium 5-Lb. Bag **27¢**

Baking Soda Arm & Hammer 1-Lb. Pkgs. **20¢**

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Fresh Ground **Veal** Lb. **28¢**

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| Texas Yams | Lb. | 9¢ |
| Potatoes Idaho Russets | 5 Lbs. | 22¢ |
| Lettuce Arizona Firm Heads | Lb. | 11¢ |
| Onions Colorado Yellow Spanish | 3 Lbs. | 10¢ |
| Carrots Fancy California | 2 Bun. | 17¢ |

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| Red Grapes California Emperor | Lb. | 10¢ |
| Apples Washington Delicious, Jonathan or Winesap | 2 Lbs. | 23¢ |
| Grapefruit Texas Seedless | Lb. | 5¢ |

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| Oranges California Navel | Lb. | 10¢ |
| Oranges Texas Juicy | Lb. | 7¢ |
| Grapefruit Foster Pink | Lb. | 7¢ |
| Celery California Crisp, Tender | Lb. | 14¢ |
| White Onions, Lb. | cc. com | 7¢ |

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